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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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IF WE SUFFER, WE SHALL ALSO REIGN WITH HIM

Jesus Suffered For Us

"Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind"

M. W. Letsinger
1 Pet. 4:1.

Jesus is our pattern. He said, I am the way, the truth, the light and the door; he that climbeth up any other way is a thief and robber. He is the only source whereby we may be saved. All other ways lead to destruction. Only one way to be saved, and that is to accept Jesus Christ as our personal Savior, and walk with Him and He with us. He has been here in the flesh and walked this way before us. He was tempted in all points like we are, yet without sin. He was a man of sorrow, and acquainted with grief. He was stricken for our transgressions, striped that we may be healed; He bore our sins in His body on the tree, that you and I might go free. We think of Him so oft as He left the portals of Glory, took upon Him the form of a servant, had no place to call home, and went from place to place, healing the sick, casting out demons and relieving those who were oppressed of the devil, yet the masses rejected Him, falsely accused Him and brought Him before the rulers who condemned and crucified Him. Think of the scourging, the intense suffering; His back was lacerated; the blood ran down. He was crowned with thorns, spit upon, nailed to the cross and hung by His precious hands and feet, until death delivered Him. Oh, the intense suffering that Jesus did! And did it voluntarily for you and me, but according to the Scriptures, there is some suffering for His body, the church, and we must be willing to bring up our part. If Christ was made perfect by the things that He suffered, I am sure that you and I will have to have some suffering to make us ready for Heaven.

Once I visited a man who was a great sufferer; his lower limbs had been amputated and he had no use of himself, could only turn his head. I looked upon him and was touched because of his great suffering, and made a few remarks, trying to explain my sympathy, after which he reminded me of the words of Paul where he said it is thru much tribulation we shall enter the kingdom. Then he reminded me of the words of Jesus: "In the world ye shall have tribulation but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." Jesus knew that the world would be out of joint with His followers, and did not want them to be surprised if they did fall into divers temptations and sufferings, but exhorted them to rejoice because of the great reward that awaited the faithful at the end of the way. "They are not of the world even as I am not of the world, therefore the world hath hated them." The more we love, and the closer we walk with Jesus, the less the world will care for us. We should not be surprised when we are misunderstood and our names are so distasteful to some that they almost gnash with their teeth. All this and more is sure to come to the true child of God. The Scriptures must be fulfilled, they cannot be broken, we should arm ourselves and be ready, for it is sure to come sooner or later.

Have we the mind of Christ? If so, why then should we draw back when the suffering time comes? I remember some few years ago when we first received this wonderful experience, we would work hard in the mills, mines and the fields all week, and Saturday evening get our Bibles and go to some schoolhouse or some old forsaken church, sing, pray and tell the folks about the Lord and what He would do for those who met conditions. Some would come to hear and some to find fault, some to make fun and disturb in every way they could, but nothing of that kind stopped us, for we were armed with the mind of suffering and the more they did to annoy or stop us, the more zeal we had to go to the front. The Lord surely did work with us and many wonderful things were done in His name. The sick were healed, great conviction came upon the folks and many were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

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Praising The Lord For Healing Power

RAVIA, Okla. (Dec. 2)—Dear Evangel readers everywhere, greetings: I just want to sound a note of praise to our soon coming King, hallelujah. I praise God for His many wonderful blessings. God is still blessing at Ravia, Okla. in spite of the enemy. Thank God for victory and that we can walk in the straight and narrow way in spite of all the enemy can do. The Word says if God be for us who can be against us?

I want to report a healing that took place the 14th of May. A sick Nazarene sister who lives half a mile away sent for me to come and pray for her. Not having any oil, I picked up the little Evangel and started. As I walked along I began to talk to the Lord and beg Him to heal her. I promised Him if He would heal her I would report it to the Evangel. When I reached her home and began to pray for her I laid the Evangel on her in the name of the Lord and asked God to heal her. She was healed instantly of all stone that she had suffered with for over twenty years. Thank God for His mighty healing power. She was raised up off the bed and shouted and danced and praised God for what He had done for her. We give the Lord the praise and glory for it all. I thank God for the great Church of the Living God and for my place in Her. I love her government and teachings and those that have the rule over me. A sister under the blood, Mrs. M. E. Carter, Box 13, Ravia, Okla.

Whole Town Is Talking About The Meeting

LOGAN, W. Va. (Feb. 11)—We started a revival here January 27th and the Lord blessed from the beginning. The meeting has continued two weeks and thirty have been saved, eighteen sanctified and thirteen received the Holy Ghost. We have been told by the people that we had the largest attendance in the history of the church at this place. The whole town is talking about the meeting. Railroad men who never were at a Church of God meeting, are not only regular attendants but are in the altar seeking God in His holiness. The people are in love with their pastor, Brother Sells, and from what the business men of Logan tell me about him, the church is favored, or greatly blessed by having a good pastor. I wish to say that he is good to the evangelists who come to this place to hold meetings.

We, Miss Pickett and myself, will leave this place next Sunday, D.V., for Greenville, S. C., where we will hold a revival. We ask the saints to pray for us that the Lord will be with us and save many precious souls at that place.—Yours for souls, Helen L. Morrow, Box 166, Hamilton, O.

I'm A Member

NEWBERRY, S. C. (June 4) — I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for what He is to me. I praise Him for saving my soul from a life of sin and for sanctifying me with the precious blood of Jesus. I want all who read this to pray that the Lord will fill me with the Holy Ghost. I am sixteen years old and want to serve the Lord till He says, "Well done thou good and faithful servant." I am a member of the Church of God at Wainsboro, S. C. Pray for me that I may ever be true and do the Lord's will at all times. Your sister in Christ — Mrs. Abell Mills.

PRAYER BRINGS VICTORY

MARKED TREE, Ark. — I am just thanking and praising God this morning for His loving power. I was ill, and sent a handkerchief to Bro. Rouse. Just as soon as I mailed the letter I began to get better, but I suffered some with my head until the day I received the letter. Sister Bill and I prayed and the victory came — I was healed! O I can't thank and praise Him enough! I thank Him for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost. He heals my children. My husband is out in sin. I want all the saints to pray for him that he may be saved. I desire the prayers of all of God's children that I may be true and faithful until He calls for me. Your sister — Mrs. Bessie Snell.

Where There Is A Will There is a Way

CORBIN, Ky. (June 18) — A little more than two years ago a few of the saints decided we needed a house we could call the Church of God in Corbin. We determined in our hearts that if God was with us, we would go over the top and the Lord made a way and we bought a place and the first of last April we made the last payment. The place cost us about twenty-three hundred dollars, and seats about four hundred people. It seems almost too good to be true, but Jesus has been with us in every undertaking.

Now we have a good Sunday School and we are praying that it will be a soul saving station. It pays to serve God. I speak from my heart. He will always be with us if we will do our part. We ask the prayers of all for the church here, that it may prosper and grow, and I earnestly desire the prayers of all the saints that I may stay humble at Jesus' feet till He comes or calls.—Bertha Blankenship.

KING AHAB'S HARNESS CAUSED HIS DEFEAT

Put on the Whole Armour of God and be Safe

J. P. Hughes

"And a certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the host; for I am wounded. And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even; and about the time of the sun going down he died." 2 Chron. 18:33,34.

The king that is mentioned in the text, was King Ahab; and as every man can be useful in some way, so Ahab had his traits of usefulness. He was a brave warrior but his self-confidence and careless preparation for battle brought a tragic end to his career. He did not regard the Word of the Lord and left the religious work to his wife who worshipped idols and was the "bloody Mary" of his day.

King Ahab was a typical character from which a great lesson may be learned. He was enterprising, as the prosperity of his kingdom plainly proves. He had high ambitions but left God out of his life and proved a failure and disgrace to Israel. He rejected the Word of the Lord and listened to a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets, which caused him to pitch his battle at the wrong time; and his harness not being perfect, he was smitten by the arrow of his enemy and defeated in a simple manner. "And a certain man drew a bow at a venture." The Hebrew reading says, "In his simplicity." It was just a man in his simplicity, doubtless a private soldier, that brought down the king in his pomp. God does not regard the noble traits of a man unless they are properly directed. He is able to make the strong weak and weak strong, for He chooses the weak things of the

THE LORD IS WORKING

KINGSTON, Jamaica.—I wish to praise the Lord for what He has done for me, and for the opportunity of testifying thru the Evangel and telling of what the Lord is doing in Kingston in the house which our overseer has rented. The Lord is working. Brother Thomas is a great teacher and a great preacher, and people are receiving the light and are getting saved and are coming into the Church. We thank the Lord for a Church of God in Kingston and for Brother Thomas. He is a man of God. We wish we could have had him two years ago, but we are glad to have him at this time. I ask all the saints to pray for this church.—Albert Simms.

PRATT CITY HAVING GOOD REVIVAL

PRATT CITY, Ala. (Feb. 11)—I am glad to say I am now engaged in a revival in the large, new church. I am glad to have the privilege to be the first one in the new building to be in a battle against sin and the devil. The Lord is wonderfully blessing. People are getting saved from sin, sanctified thru the blood of Jesus and filled with the Holy Ghost, for we heard them speak in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, as Peter did at Corinthian house. Acts 10:46. The sick are getting healed, and several are subscribing for the Church of God Evangel. The altar is full of seekers. There was a Methodist preacher in the altar last night, seeking for the Holy Ghost. The new church is full to its capacity and overflowing, and we have with us Brother W. T. Nelson, conducting the singing, and the pastor, Brother W. W. Harmon, is on his job. The saints are all working in harmony, so pray that the Lord will continue to bless, and give complete victory. Your brother in the work for lost souls.—Earl Paulk.

New Year Resolutions

Let us keep in Mind that it is Better not to make a Vow, than to make a Vow and break it

GAVE THE SPIRIT RIGHT OF WAY

MADISONVILLE, La.—I want to sound a note of praise this morning for my Savior. I am saved, sanctified and the Holy Ghost abides and I am trusting God for soul and body for myself and family. My little boy had flu and a high fever. I told the Lord if He would heal him, I would testify to it and He healed him instantly, so I am praising God for it.

The dear Lord is blessing here in meetings. We had conference Saturday night and separated the bad from the good by disfellowshipping some who would not live the life, and Sunday night the Lord surely did bless. I didn't get to take my text at all. The saints testified, talked in tongues and danced under the mighty power of God. The Spirit called the folks to the altar and I gave Him the right of way. About fifteen came to the altar and God blessed the seekers and the saints. Please pray for us that we might keep ourselves straight and the church clean, that the Holy Ghost might have full right of way with pastor and church.—Wilson Sharp, pastor, S. Bedico church.

35 BAPTIZED WITH HOLY GHOST

PITTS, Ga.—New Church of God established with forty members. Brother Chambers, Georgia, State Evangelist, pitched his tent in Pitts, Ga. in January and shelled the fort for four weeks, against the devil. God gave a sweeping victory. For all of it, we give God and His Son, Jesus, the honor and glory. We have never witnessed such a revival and the power of God manifested so, in all our lives. The devil and his forces had to give back and let the people go free. There was shouting, dancing, talking in tongues, and playing the piano under the power of God. Praise our God forever.

Brother Chambers gave out the Word of God with power. He didn't compromise for any one but just kept on the Word from time to time in spite of the devil and opposition from all sides. Both Methodist and Baptist members received the Holy Ghost and came into the great Church of God. The Church of God is rising and shining in this part of the country. Some say they never heard it on this line, but glory be to God, the victory came and we now have a real Bible Church of God in Pitts, Ga. Several were wonderfully healed during the meeting. The doctors said there were no hopes for some of them.

The Fitzgerald district meeting was held in Pitts during this meeting. The Lord blessed. We had our State Overseer, Brother Jim Culpepper, with us on this Sunday. The merchants of Pitts gave a big barbecue, which was enjoyed by all. Everyone pray for the success of this new church. J. A. Hipps of Fitzgerald was called for pastor.—Mary Mitchell.

God is Still Blessing

CROCKETT, Tex.—I want to sound a note of praise for the Lord this morning because I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the precious Holy Ghost and on the run for glory. I praise Him for more determination to press on into deeper things and be the cause of many souls being saved. I praise God for a band of willing workers (Brother Ball and his family) here at Crockett this year. This part of East Texas is getting stirred about their souls' welfare. I thank God for His healing power. He has healed many of the flu this winter and they are testifying to it. Please pray for me for I have a hard battle. I am the only one saved in my home and have to pray hard to overcome the powers of the devil. Let us all put our shoulder to the wheel and push, pull and pray until we go over the top for Jesus.—Your brother in Christ, Floyd Hughes.

Webster says that "a resolution is an act of determining, or that which is decided on." So God being our helper, we want to put forth some resolutions for 1929, and more fully realize the following things.

(1) FOR THE BODY.

(A.) That my body is in God's image. Gen. 1:26. "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth." I want you to take notice that our image was made after all other images, such as beasts of the field, fowls of the air, and fish of the sea had been made and was in no way like them, but in the image and likeness of God.

(B.) That my body is God's temple. 1 Cor. 3:16. Paul says, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the spirit of God dwelleth in you?"

(C.) That I must not defile my body. 1 Cor. 3:17. "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy, for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."

So dear friends, when the devil tempts us this year with things that would defile our body, let us remember our New Year Resolutions and say, "Away with that stuff, we are living for God this year, one hundred percent."

(2) FOR MY MIND.

(A.) That a fool utters all his mind. Prov. 29:11. The wise man, Solomon, said, "A fool uttereth all his mind; but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards." (A hint to the wise.)

(B.) That the carnal mind is enmity against God. Rom. 8:6,7. The Apostle Paul says, "For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace, because the carnal mind is enmity against God, for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be."

(C.) That the lowliness of mind is commendable. Phil. 2:1-4. "If there be, therefore, any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the spirit, if any bowels and mercies, fulfill ye my joy, that ye be like minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vain glory, but in lowliness of mind, let each esteem others better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things but every man also on the things of others."

(D.) That the mind should be stayed on God. Isa. 26:2,3. The statesman prophet said, "Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in. Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." So may God help us to keep our mind on Him more in '29 than we ever have in the past.

(3) FOR THE SOUL.

(A.) That my soul came from God. Gen. 2:7. "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul."

(B.) That the soul that sinneth shall die. Ezek. 18:4.

(C.) That the soul may be destroyed in hell. Matt. 10:28. "And fear not them which kill the body but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell."

(D.) That like Christ, I will commit the keeping of my soul to God. 1 Peter 4:19. The apostle Peter said, "Wherefore, let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful creator." May God help us to make a resolution and determine that we will keep our mind stayed on Him as never before.

(4) FOR CHRIST.

(A.) That Christ (none other) is my example. 1 Pet. 2:21-25. "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps." Well, glory to God, we are ready to roll up our sleeves against (Please Look On Page Three)

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EDITORIALS

Since last report we have received 156 subscriptions and renewals for the Church of God Evangel. That is surely fine. The Evangel has many friends who love her, not only in word, but in deed. We are expecting many more subscriptions in the next few days.

Those who have been working for premiums may get them if you wish. We have sent out some already. If any one should want to continue to solicit until you get enough to secure one of the Bibles or the portfolios, we will be glad for you to do so. We will continue to offer the paper in clubs of three one year subscriptions, at one dollar per year.

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King Ahab's Harness Caused His Defeat

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against God and His righteousness, and who when he had finished his course, said, "I have fought a good fight." Paul knew that a soldier of the cross would have to encounter and therefore knew the value of the "whole armour of God." He also knew the danger the Christian is in who fails to put on the "whole armour," and in his general epistle to the Ephesians he commands the faithful in Christ Jesus to take unto themselves the "whole armour of God." He is very careful to tell us what the armour consisteth of and guarantees it against the "wiles of the devil." There are no faulty joints thru which the poison arrow of the enemy can penetrate.

The Girt of Truth

The first part of the armour that Paul speaks of, is the "girt of truth." "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth." Eph. 6:14. Having the loins girt about with truth means to be in readiness for action. The girdle was part of the military equipment and its use was to keep the armor in place and support the sword. The "girt of truth" supports the Christian and braces him when he is assaulted or persuaded by that which is false. King Ahab did not put on the "girt of truth" and therefore, was persuaded by a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. By putting on the "girt of truth," we can stand when false accusers are storming us with shot and shell from the cannons of the enemy. We can also stand for, and represent the truth when all the false prophets and lying spirits that the devil can mobilize are arrayed against it. Truth is all we need to counteract false, and with it we can defeat every false impression or persuasion the enemy shoots at us. It has stood the test of the ages and is as eternal as God (its author). Truth has been assailed by the devil, who is the father of lies, from the very beginning, but like Gibraltar, it still stands high above his cowardly assaults and has the same powerful effect.

Satan struck a fierce blow at the truth in the Garden of Eden, when he said, "Thou shalt not surely die," but even though his assault did cause the fall of man, it did not effect the truth, because God defends it. Those who stand for truth are representing that which God defends, and even if they fall on the battlefield, truth will ever remain the same. Many have stood for truth against the "wiles of the devil" and died a martyr's death, but

truth lives on and will testify to their righteousness at the judgment. It was the truth that Stephen told the howling mob that so enraged them till they gnashed on him with their teeth and stoned him to death, but their anger against the truth caused its representatives to scatter and establish it in places where it had not been known. Gird on truth and never fear its defeat. Preach it, tell it, live it and stand by it, for it will stand the test and win in the conflict.

The Breastplate of Righteousness

The next piece of the "whole armor of God" that is put on after the loins have been "girt about with truth," is the "breastplate of righteousness." The breastplate in the equipment of carnal warfare was that part of the armor that protects the part of the body that conceals the vital organs of life and where wounds would be most likely to prove fatal. The "breastplate of righteousness" is protection to the heart and is therefore of vital importance in the spiritual warfare. The heart is a vital organ in both the literal and spiritual life and must therefore be protected.

"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." Prov. 4:23. "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness." Mark 7:21,22. These Scriptures clearly prove that the acts of life are prompted by the heart, and it is plain to be seen that when wickedness enters the heart, it is sure to proceed out. The man who falls a victim to any of the above evils, is sure to be known by his deeds, for a tree is known by its fruit.

When adultery enters the heart, the victim has "eyes full of adultery and cannot cease from sin." (See 2 Peter 2:14). When murder enters the heart, the individual becomes bloodthirsty and full of hatred toward his fellow-man. "Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer." 1 John 3:15. When "foolishness" enters the heart and begins to proceed out, its victims are known by their folly. They will engage in light conversation and are ever ready to joke, although the Bible forbids foolish talking and jesting. (See Eph. 5:4). When theft takes root in the heart it prompts its victim to steal and he becomes a rogue. The one in whose heart covetousness dwells is known by his greed. Deceit is sometimes hard to detect, but those who have let it enter their hearts will be found out by their fraud. The word lasciviousness as it comes from the original Greek word, implies "trickery and vice." Those who have let it get into their hearts are known by their schemes. The one from whose heart the "evil eye" proceeds is known by his fault-finding in others. He likes to examine the other fellow instead of himself. Pride in the heart will cause people to become egotistic, self-conceited, boastful and arrogant—such persons are easily located. Oh, the vast importance of being properly harnessed and keeping the heart safe and secure from the wiles of the devil so none of his work will enter into it. Just as the frame-work of the body protects the heart from the exposure and attacks that the outer surface must encounter, so does the "breastplate of righteousness" serve as a defence against spiritual wickedness entering the heart of those who put on the "whole armour of God." "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness." Eph. 6:14.

(To be continued.)

Invalid Requests Prayer

LUMBERTON, N. C. (June 14) — I have been thinking about writing for some time. I have been reading the Evangel for several months and I do appreciate the paper so much. I am on my bed, a helpless invalid and cannot go out to preaching or prayer services anywhere. I love to read the sermons and all of the good testimonies. It is food to my soul to read the Evangel, and I hope that I may be able to read it as long as I stay here on this earth. I want you and all the Church of God members to pray for me, that my body might be healed, if it is His will. I have rheumatism and stomach trouble, and because of spinal trouble, am helpless. I have been helped many times thru prayer and I do know and believe that God is able to heal all manner of diseases. I have been confined to the bed since June 5th 1918. It has been ten years ago. I would be so glad if I could be with all of you good people, but I cannot be there. Please remember me in all your prayers, that I may ever be just what God would have me be, for I want to be humble and true all the way thru, even down unto death, for I want to live pure, clean and holy. I am glad that I have ever found this way of holiness, for it just suits me. When I was born of the Spirit, snuff became filthy to me, and I could not use it any more. I tried to hold on to it a little while but no, I could not afford to use it any longer. It has been twenty years since I have had any in my mouth, and I do not want it. I don't want to do anything that would be displeasing to my blessed Saviour for He has done so much for me. I want to live right in the center of His

THE ROBE

Young People's Class
Atlanta, Ga.

Luke 15:7.

"I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance."

When the prodigal returned he said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son."

But the Father said to his servants, "Bring forth the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet."

When we come to Jesus, we know that our righteousness is in His sight as filthy rags, and that we must be clothed in the robe of His righteousness. The man in Matt. 22:11, who did not have a wedding garment on, thought his own clothes were good enough, but he was turned away from the wedding feast. The wedding garment was there prepared and ready, even as the best robe was ready for the prodigal, but he was too conceited to accept that provided by another.

In Isaiah 61:10 we read, "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness."

This robe was the first gift the prodigal received at the hands of the father. So the best robe is put upon us when we believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and take him for our own personal Savior. We cannot put it on ourselves; it is rather put on us when we are clothed in His righteousness.

What does the ring that was put on his hand mean? One author says the ring is the seal of love, of pledged truth, later it becomes the symbol of wedded union. Is it not true that the returning sinner receives, not only the best robe of Christ's righteousness, but also God's seal—the Holy Ghost? "Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts." 2 Cor. 1:22.

The Holy Spirit is the seal of God's love. "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." Eph. 4:30. And as the ring speaks ownership, so the Holy Ghost in us, tells us that we belong to Christ.

"If any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his." Rom. 8:9. In the Scripture the ring is given as a mark of high honor and esteem, as when Pharaoh took the ring off of his hand and put it on Joseph's hand. Gen. 41:42. It is also a sign of pledging and betrothal, as when the wedding ring is placed upon the bride's finger.

Now let us ask ourselves, "Have I been clothed with the best robe, this robe of His righteousness?" or do we say, "I have never done harm to any one. I keep all the law, I think I am good enough as I am." But that is just what we must not do, for that would be like the man who would not accept the wedding garment.

Only by grace we are saved through faith, and that not of ourselves; it is the gift of God, and He so willingly gives the ring (Holy Ghost) to all who obey Him. Heb. 5:9; Luke 11:13. The apostle Paul tells us in his letter to the Ephesians, to put on the whole armour of God that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the evil one. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. We should have our loins girt about with the truth, and have on the breastplate of righteousness; and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace, and have the shield of faith and helmet of salvation, with the sword of the Spirit wherewith we will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the evil one. Eph. 6:11-17. Mattie Broome, Atlanta, Ga.

THE LORD IS WORKING

CARTHAGE, Miss.—I am praising the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I love the Lord above the world and would not turn back for anything in this sinful world. Sometimes Satan tries to pull me back. I am thanking the Lord for His healing power and for adding me to the dear old Church of God. We have Brother J. Scruggs for our pastor at the Church of God Tabernacle. We only have a few members but we have good meetings down there. I have two sisters, and one brother who is married. His wife is seeking the Holy Ghost. My father and mother have not been saved, but I am trusting the Lord to save them. I ask all of you to pray for me and for my loved ones.—Your sister in Christ, Flossie Perkins, (age ten years.)

Saints Encouraged To Press On

QUARTZ, Ga. (Sept. 6) — On August 22d a ten day revival started at this place with great success. Sister Mattie Rich and Husband, Bro. Marion Phillips and wife and Bro. Frank Miller were in charge. will, and I want Him to have His way with me. — Mrs. S. E. Byrd.

Notices And Specials

If anybody knows the whereabouts of Brother W. A. Walker please notify us, as we want him to help in a meeting near Lenoir City, Tenn.—Jim Bowers, Lenoir City, Tenn.

To the members of the Church of God at Joseph's Chapel, Cleveland, Miss., who have not attended services at this church or reported to same in six or twelve months: You are hereby requested to be present at the local church conference which is to be held at said church on the night of April 8th (D.V.) or report to same by the above named date, giving your present address and spiritual condition.

Your attention is further called to the fact that the Assembly has passed that it is a test of fellowship for continual non-attendance, so your future standing with the Church of God at Joseph's Chapel will depend upon your response to the requests herein made. This done by order of church conference held Feb. 4th, 1929. You may send your report to either the pastor or clerk.—B. F. Wolfe, clerk, G. G. Williams, pastor.

The Church of God at Macon, Ga. will start a revival on March 2, 1929 (D.V.) Brother J. W. Culpepper in charge. Please pray that this meeting will be a success. Your sister in Christ, —Mrs. Vance Perkins.

The Church of God at Christopher would like to know the spiritual condition of the following names: Lula Reese, Lula Nichols, A. Hatfield, Mattie Legrand, Fitz Taylor, Gladys Taylor, Earnest Lockwood, Isaac Buckhart. These names will be dropped from our record in a reasonable length of time, unless heard from.—Maude McDaniel, clerk.

To all the St. Louis District: Mrs. Edith Brown, at Farmington, Mo., Route 4, will be the District Treasurer for all Sunday School tithes from this district. So tithe all your Sunday School money and send to her. This will help us to get new Sunday Schools.—A. L. Jenkins, District Pastor, Desloge, Mo.

We feel it would prove a blessing to all of our preachers, to have a set time for what might be called a preachers' meeting.

As there is now a revival meeting in progress at Pratt City, Ala., conducted by Brother Earl Paulk, and will, as I understand, continue up to and including the night of the 28th of this month, it has been suggested by some of the brethren, at the closing of this meeting, to have this preachers' meeting. So we have decided to put a notice in the Evangel, asking all the preachers in the state of Alabama, to meet at the Church in Pratt City, at 9:30 A. M. Friday, Mar. 1, 1929. It has also been suggested that this meeting run over Sunday night.

Come on brethren, we need your presence and help, and believe it will help you. Another thing I wish to mention while I get the space in the paper, that is, we are yet getting letters asking whom it is the mission fund is to be sent to, and how much. Notice has been given of this, two or three times, but we want to be patient, and especially with the people. So we will say that the Pastor of each church is to see to it that five per cent of the amount of tithes paid in at each Church, is divided equally between the State Mission Treasurer and Headquarters.

If this isn't clear enough, come on over to the preachers' meeting at Pratt City, March 1st, and we will all try to get together on this subject as well as a number of other subjects.

We give a special invitation to ministers of other states. Also will say that any and all who wish to attend will be welcome, and your presence

The Saints Prayed—God Blessed

FONDE, Ky.—We want to report a good revival held here by Brother Jim Bosket and Brother Capshaw. It continued twelve nights, Brother Bosket did most of the preaching and the Lord blessed. He gave out the Word with power. Two received the Holy Ghost and five were saved and sanctified and several healed. The devil was so angry that he came right into the pulpit and tried to keep the preacher from giving out the Word, but the saints prayed and held on to the Lord and He blessed. We had good attendance every night, nice behavior, and good music. We hate to see Brother Bosket leave us for we have learned to love him. We hope he will come again and hold another revival for us. Anyone wanting a revival would do well to get Brother Bosket. The people here are standing four square for the Church of God and I ask those who read this to please pray that souls may be saved here.—Your brother, Jim Simpson.

Four were saved, four sanctified, six received the Holy Ghost, three were added to the church and three followed the Lord in water baptism. The saints enjoyed the good messages that were given out from time to time and were encouraged to press on.—Altha Kilby.

will be appreciated. At this writing we will mention the one whom we have decided to appoint as State Superintendent of Sunday Schools.—Brother Earl Paulk.

The name of the treasurer for Alabama is as follows: Mr. J. J. Bradberry, Boaz, Ala. Your servant and brother, T. L. McLain, Overseer of Ala.

REQUESTS

Dear saints of the Churches of God, will you please pray for the healing of my body? I have suffered all Winter. I believe in the blood of Jesus.—H. W. Billingsley, Cleveland, Tenn.

Mrs. S. E. Barger requests prayer for her healing. She is in a very serious condition. Pray earnestly for her.

I am requesting prayer for my sister-in-law, she has cancer of the stomach. She would appreciate some encouraging letters from anyone who might care to write her. Her address is Mrs. Stella Waller, Lone Oak, Tex. Your sister.—Mrs. Bryant Ellis, Kennard, Texas.

George E. Flowers, Landis, N. C. requests prayer to be healed of stomach trouble, which he has been afflicted with four years.

Please pray that I will be healed of indigestion. A friend of mine has a growth on her arm, the doctor tells her she will have to go to the hospital and have it cut out, but we know Jesus can heal. Pray for her also. I am seventy-nine years old and have never been confined to my bed but one time and that was only a few days. The Lord always heals me before I get real bad.—L. W. Crenshaw, Wall-halla, S. C.

JESUS SUFFERED FOR US

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The Holy Ghost, churches were organized, many souls were so well established that they will, no doubt, be standing true when Jesus returns for His own. I fear that many have lost that zeal and courage to work, and have resorted to a life of ease. They are not willing to go any more unless they are assured of a good collection and a good place to stay. The result is, the Lord has quit blessing as He once did. Preachers sometimes remind us of men who will not work unless they can get a certain wage. I knew some men when I was a boy, who wanted a certain wage and had to get it before they would work. They would lie around all Summer, only getting a few days work to do, for the men of that community would not hire them unless they had to, because when they did work, all they seemed to be looking for was their dinner, quitting time and their wage. They would rather go ragged and hungry than to work for less than a certain wage, while other men were working for what they could get and faring sumptuously every day. So it is with the preacher, if he loses the spirit of Christ he begins to shun the hard places, and if he can't get what he wants he won't do anything, would rather discourage than to encourage others. I do not believe that we can get to Heaven doing that way, and I know that God is not pleased with such. He has promised the reward to those who are faithful. The reward is a hundred fold in this life, with persecutions, and a crown of life at the end of the way.

The Apostle Paul gloried in tribulation. Why did he do it? He was armed with the mind of Christ. He expected sufferings, welcomed, and took a delight in them. When God blesses our work and puts His approval on our lives, what do we care as to what others may say and think? I tell you, my friends, the main thing is making up our minds. When we get fully fixed in a thing it is hard to turn us aside. When a man makes up his mind he will not take the abuse of another and arms himself for defense, and the other advances and continues to give the abuse, there is usually something doing. We must arm ourselves with the mind of Christ, for this world is not a friend of grace to help us on to God, but we must fight if we would reign. Increase our courage, Lord. God will help us if we arm ourselves and go to battle like soldiers of war, but He wants us to be good soldiers. A good soldier will not shrink in time of battle, but will press forward, even unto death. We have not enlisted in this great battle against sin and unrighteousness for a number of years, but we have enlisted for life, so let's put on the whole armour and press forward as we have never done before; go into new places, organize new Sunday Schools, and prayer meetings, get the folks to subscribe for the Church of God Evangel, tell them about Jesus and His power to save, cleanse and fill with the Holy Ghost, and that He will soon return to earth again. We should do our best the rest of our lives for we surely haven't long to work, Jesus will soon come and if we suffer with Him now, we shall reign with Him then.

He Hears and Answers Prayer

STRAWN, Texas. (June 14) — I am so glad this morning finds me serving a true and living God. I am so glad for being saved and sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and a great desire to fight on and win a home that is not made with hands. We are looking forward to a great outpouring of the Spirit at this place this summer. We have a good Sunday School. I am so glad for Jesus, and know without a doubt that He will hear and answer prayer. He can heal. I am so glad that I can look to Him in time of need, knowing that He will stay closer than a brother or friend. Pray for me that I may have a closer walk with God, and hold out faithful to the end. —Dora Pollard.

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GOD IS BLESSING IN LOUISIANA

BOGALUSA, La.—We are glad to report victory in Bogalusa for the Church of God. On Nov. 25th Brother Dunn, with Brother Guthrie, came to Bogalusa. It seemed as if we had gone as far as we could. Brother Dunn preached on Sunday and said when we had done all to stand, for us to stand anyway. We thank God that we are standing and encouraged to press on. Brother J. L. Guthrie held a meeting and the Lord surely did bless. Fifteen received the Holy Ghost, one was sanctified, and seven came into the church. Several are to be baptized when the weather permits. We are proud of our pastor and believe he is a man of God. He seems to like Louisiana all right. We will be glad to have your prayers, that we will have the best year for Louisiana that the church has ever had. If you feel the call to Louisiana don't be afraid, for the God you serve is the same God down here. We treat you good if you are true blue for God and His church. Pray for us.—A sister in Christ, Minnie McManus.

GLORY ON EACH Little Face

SELECT, Ky. (Dec. 27)—I wish to report a meeting held Christmas at our church at Oak Grove. At eleven o'clock they began gathering in to hear a splendid sermon by L. J. Allen, our pastor, on commemorating our blessed Savior's birthday, text Luke 2:11. Singing and recitations were rendered by the saints and the children of the Sunday School. Jesus said, Suffer the little children to come unto me; and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God. If the writer could portray to the readers of the Evangel, the glory on each little face as they, one by one, got up and had a word to recite or a song to sing about Jesus. Bless His dear name! I am sure such a beautiful sight made all the saints want to pray as I did, that God would make us more humble and worthy and give us strength and wisdom to teach them and guide their little footsteps in the way our Master would have them go. Pray for me, that I may have better health and that I may ever stay humble and in the center of His blessed will, ready and willing to do what He would have me do. A sister in Christ, Mrs. Chas. Hudson.

Great Is The Lord

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. O that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men!

On Nov. 28th, we began a revival here, with Brother Earl Paulk doing the preaching. Did he preach? Well, I should say he did. He is the greatest Bible preacher I've ever heard. Night after night God anointed and he preached under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost. Souls were convicted and convicted and soon the altar was filled with seekers.

One noticeable feature of the meeting was the great number of men who were interested. One night there were twenty-three in the altar, besides women and children. I wonder what the results would have been had not the flu epidemic struck us with full force. From one to five and more were stricken down in almost every home. The meeting continued, however, until Dec. 23rd. Ten received the Holy Ghost, a number were saved and sanctified and ten came into the church. The saints were encouraged and we're looking up, expecting great things this year. Brother Paulk is a great booster for the Evangel and while here he received fifty-four subscriptions to same.

Brother and sister Newman were with us a few nights and God blessed in a wonderful way as Brother Newman sang his favorite song, "Come Let Us Go Home." Our program on Christmas night was especially good. God honored us with His presence and there was shouting, dancing and talking in tongues as a wave of His mighty power swept over us. Brother Clower and family gave us a pleasant surprise by being there. We appreciated the good music. They were with us a few days and Brother Clower brought us some messages that fed our souls.

I must not fail to mention our watch-night service. Brother Johnson, our State Overseer, was with us and delivered a soul-stirring message, using for a text, Gen. 35:2-3. He suggested that we have a grave digging, and judging from the results, we must have had one. The power fell in a mighty way. We were struck with awe and wonder at His mighty presence, and as we fell on our knees, a great cry went up from our souls for a closer walk with God. Saints, my prayer to God is that this new year will find us laying aside every weight that would hinder our spiritual progress, that we may be ready for the soon coming of our Lord.—Mrs. F. M. Waldron, Jacksonville, Fla.

LOVE

HAMILTON, Ohio (Dec. 17)—Some few days ago I sent a testimony to the Evangel and asked the saints to pray a special prayer for me, and they surely did, for I have felt the effect of it. I made a vow to the Lord that I

The Overcoming Saints and Their Future Abode

J. R. Thomas

He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be His God, and He shall be my Son. Rev. 21:7. (The margin in the King James Bible reads, or, these things). John received the revelation of what these things were; these the overcoming saints will inherit.

The present residence of God's people is the body styled as the earthly house. This house is the residence of the soul, the dwelling of the immortal spirit. It is a most beautiful structure of which God was the skillful Maker. It is an earthly house originally made of earth, of the earth earthly, formed of that which is material in contradiction to the spiritual character of the soul. The body is earthly as its supplies are from the earth, its foundation is in the dust, and it is destined to return to the earth from whence it originally came. It is a movable house, not a fixed building but one to be moved from place to place; like a tent pitched here and there and is such as can be taken down. It is then that it ceases to be the abode of the spiritual.

Now this taking down and dissolving of the tabernacle is an event that must come. All living people know that they must die if Jesus tarries any length of time. If He comes soon the saints must be changed. It is an event most necessary; we must be dislodged from this earthly house before we can inherit immortality and eternal life. Flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God. The first tabernacle must be taken down in hope of the new one, Resurrection. The saints' residence will be God's glorious kingdom and will be likened unto a glorious city, the New Jerusalem. This heavenly temple will be the place spoken of by Jesus which He calls His Father's house, God's residence, a place full of glory, not made with hands, not formed as God made the human body, not having its foundation on this decaying earth, but in the highest and most glorious of God's universe, the highest Heaven of heavens. John says the new Heaven and the new earth, for the first Heaven and first earth had passed away and he saw the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of Heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. Besides the outward appearance of the city, which is most glorious to behold, the angel lets John within the city. The overcomer shall inherit all things, even life and reign with Him forever and ever. Behold the inside of the city, it is pure gold. "And the building of the wall of it was of jasper; and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass." Rev. 21:18. The foundations are garnished with all manner of precious stones, the entrance is gained thru twelve gates of pearl, they are never shut. There are no nights, no dirt or smoke as modern cities have. No ungodly tale is uttered; there will be no despondent souls in this place but all will be joy that can't be told. What music and shouts of praises the overcomers will bring to the King. There will be no backbiting, no hatred, no envy, no jealousy, no ill feeling, no liars, no sin; all this will be left on the outside of the city. The overcomers will have access to the tree of Life.

Let's remind the unbeliever of that fearful state to which their sins are leading them. The earthly house will be destroyed and there will be nothing to receive it except the dark and hopeless region of hell where there will be everlasting weeping and gnashing of teeth. Oh fear, tremble, repent, and seek mercy. The overcoming saints of God are travelers on their way to the city. This is not their resting place. The traveler oftentimes directs his attention to the end of his journey. So it is with the overcoming saints. The saint is a child of God, an heir of glory, and he looks forward to the time when he shall receive from the hands of the Chief Shepherd, the crown of life. There is a crown for the overcomer. St. Paul looked forward to the time when he would receive a crown of righteousness. Why? Because he had been an overcomer. He said, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course. I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous Judge shall give me at that day, and not to me only but unto all them also that love His appearing." If we overcome, we will love His appearing.

would pay my tithes and my promise still holds good to-day. Saints it will pay us to do our duty toward God. Only a few more hard battles and the victory is ours. I am truly glad that I made the wise choice while the invitation was given. I'm glad that one day the devil and me had a falling out and we have been enemies to each other ever since. I do not care what kind of a proposition the devil puts before me I do not intend to make friends with him any more, for I am sure that I would be the loser. O how I praise God to day that I am out from under the bondage of Satan. Satan once had me at his control, but praise the Lord, Jesus broke the chains and

OBITUARIES

KENNEDY

On Oct. 5, 1928 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Kennedy of Manatee, Fla. and bore away the soul of little Flory, age eleven years. During the Wimauma camp meeting three years ago, she received the Holy Ghost. She will be greatly missed by her friends in Sunday School, and in church, because no one can take her place. She leaves to mourn her departure, a father, mother, three sisters, two brothers, and a host of earthly friends. Funeral services were conducted by A. M. Sapp, pastor.—A friend.

HARRISON

On April 27, 1928 the death angel came and carried Sister Vassie Harrison away to the great beyond. She suffered for a long time with cancer, but was patient through it all, looking to Jesus, her Saviour, in whom she put her trust. Sister Vassie received the Holy Ghost when holiness was first preached in her community. In 1919 she united with the Church of God and remained a member until her death. She was always at service as long as she was able to get there, and the bright, sweet testimonies she gave still ring in my ears. It seems that I can see her as I write, and hear her say, "When I die, put me away in white." She would often speak of the white robed saints. To know her was to love her. She was laid to rest in the home cemetery. Her husband preceded her to the great beyond about two months. Although not a member he was a great help to the church and community in which he lived.

Your toil and care is over, You're safe on Heaven's shore; One by one we'll join you there And be at home for evermore.—One who loved her dearly, Mrs. J. L. Burton, Emley, Miss.

JOHNSON

In memory of my daughter, Mrs. Hattie Lee Johnson, daughter of Irving and Nora Johnson, who went to be with Jesus April 11, 1927, age seventeen years and twenty-two days. She was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost when she was ten years old and was a member of the great Church of God. She continued this way for some time but as she began to get older she began to grow cold, although she did not turn her back on the Church of God. She married a sinner and had to live such a hard life, but on her bed of affliction she called for the saints several times to pray for her and on Friday night before she died on Monday she called for the saints to pray and she seemed to get better. After that she closed her eyes and with one hand raised toward Heaven, she said, I am going, going up there when I die. She called to her father, mother, step-mother and grand-father to go too. When she was first taken sick she said, Mamma, I have taken my rings off, and the last thing she did before she died she got money from her father and paid her tithes. The Lord saw best to take her. She leaves to mourn her death, a father, mother, one brother and seven sisters. We mourn not as those who have no hope for we are hoping to meet her over on the other side. I want to see my Saviour first of all, and Hattie next. Pray for us that we may be prepared to go when He comes or calls.

Sleep on dear Hattie and take thy rest Some day we'll meet you in the land of the blest. To part from dear Hattie is hard to bear, But we know that Jesus doth all things well.—Her mother. (Sent in Dec. 1928)

SHARP

Brother David L. Sharp departed this life to be with Jesus on the 8th of Feb., 1928. He was a good man. To know him was to love him. He was always ready to testify for Jesus. He leaves to mourn his death a wife, four sons, and three daughters, one son having preceded him to the great beyond several years ago. Brother Sharp was fifty-eight years of age. He was always kind to everybody. He trusted the Lord with both soul and body to the end, and bore his suffering with patience. He was never heard to murmur or complain about anything. His funeral was conducted by Brother Black and his body laid away in the Fussell cemetery. May the Lord keep the bereaved in His care.—A friend, Celia C. Jenkins.

FOSTER

On Dec. 12, 1928, about six o'clock in the evening, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Foster and claimed their darling baby, Marvin Paul Foster. He was a bright flower and the morning star in the home. His time here on earth was short and his days few, he being one month and one day old. Little Marvin was well set me free, and I am free from all condemnation to-day. My sins are buried in the fountain and I am rejoicing in the Savior's love, seeking a closer walk with God, Henry Rice 24 S. B. St.

and sound the first three weeks of his life but a cold affected him, then whooping cough visited the home and badly affected his little body, which was the cause of his death. He left to mourn his death, his parents, one brother and a host of other relatives and friends. Many prayers were offered for the healing of his body, but Jesus who always knows best, saw fit to call him to rest.

Our hearts are very lonely Since our darling has gone away; But he is happy with the angels And we'll meet him there some day.

The funeral was conducted by Brother Jim Holding Eagle and the writer, and his body laid to rest in the Church of God cemetery at Zap, N. Dak.—B. Reinhold Klautz, Zap, N. Dak.

BRADENBERG

Richard Hedrick, son of Floyd and Ollie Bradenberg, was born April 28, 1927 and died Jan. 6, 1929, at the age of one year, eight months and eight days. He leaves with us a father, mother, three brothers, three sisters and a number of other relatives and friends who have our heartfelt sympathy in this dark hour. He was sick only six days. Everything possible was done to restore him to health and many prayers were offered for him, but God knew best and has taken him home to be with Him forever, where He said there would be no more death, sickness or pain. If we live true to Jesus, we will meet little Richard again. The funeral service was conducted at the Church of God by the writer and the remains were laid to rest in the South Lebanon cemetery on Jan. 8th to await the final resurrection morning.—C. B. Huff, pastor.

AKEN

Sister Aken, wife of H. N. Aken, formerly of the state of Alabama, departed this life the 9th of Oct., 1928. She leaves to mourn her departure a husband, eight children, six boys and two girls, a sister, other relatives and a host of friends. She was a patient mother and faithful wife and Christian. She was born in 1890, was converted and became a member of the Baptist church years ago, was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost a few years ago, and united with the Church of God where she remained until her death. She was laid to rest in the Tyronza cemetery at Tyronza, Ark. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, J. A. McCullar.

A faithful wife is gone, A loving mother true, But we will look for her again When Jesus splits the blue.

So labor on, one and all, That we too may hear the call, And take the heavenly flight To the Marriage Supper of the Lord.

GRESHAM

Little Gloria Delores Gresham, seventeen months daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Gresham of 315 W. Alva St., Tampa, Fla., was called away to be with Jesus on the night of Jan. 18, 1929. She leaves to mourn her departure a loving mother and father and a host of relatives and friends. Little Gloria was sick about a week and a half. She bore her suffering with patience. All was done that loving hands could do. The saints went many times and prayed for her and the Lord blessed, but God in His infinite wisdom saw fit to transplant her to His beautiful home above. She was a beautiful ray of sunshine in the home, and loved by all who knew her. The funeral was conducted at the home by Brother Johnnie E. Connater of the Church of God, and the remains laid to rest in the Orange Hill cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Oh! let us then be faithful Until we are summoned to go, To that beautiful home of the faithful, Away from all sorrow below.

There'll be no more heartaches and partings There'll be no more worry and pain; We'll all be gathered together In the realms of His great domain.

We'll sing with all the redeemed ones And repeat the golden refrain, And there with all of our loved ones, We'll be united again.

That will be a happy reunion When beyond this veil of tears We'll be with little Gloria Throughout unnumbered years.—One who loved Gloria, Alice Stephens.

STEPPE

The wife of Clarence Steppe, member of the Church of God, and an heir with the righteous, was born Jan. 31, 1906 and departed this life Aug. 2, 1928 at the age of twenty-one years, six months and three days. She left to mourn her departure, a husband, one little girl, a father and mother, four brothers, three sisters and a host of relatives and friends. She testified just before her departure of going home to Jesus and that she didn't

want them to mourn over her for she had seen the angels, and asked her sisters to join the Church of God, for it is the only way.

Our little Sister has left us here, God has taken her home in His loving care, And if we are faithful, by and by We will see her sweet smiles when we enter on high.—Mrs. E. H. Steppe.

KILBURN

Lois Pauline, daughter of Carter and Mabel Kilburn, was born July 28, 1928 and died Dec. 9, 1928, being four months and eleven days of age. She leaves to mourn her death, a father, mother, one sister and a large number of relatives and friends. We are sure little Pauline will be missed in the home, but God knows best, and has taken this little one from the earth to the paradise above where she will be waiting to welcome her loved ones home. Father and mother, look to Jesus and be ready to meet her, never to part again. After the funeral service at the Church of God, she was laid to rest in the South Lebanon cemetery to await the resurrection morn.—C. B. Huff, pastor.

SMITH

On Dec. 25, 1928 the death angel visited our home and took our mother home to be with Jesus. She was a devoted Christian and a good mother. She was loved by all who knew her. She was saved at an early age and was a member of the Baptist church for several years. About fourteen years ago she saw the light on holiness and the Church of God and walked in it. She was baptized with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4, and belonged to the Church of God at Hiwassee, Tenn. till her death. She was sick only a few days, bore her suffering with patience and just went out like she was going to sleep. We heard her testify just a few nights before she died, that she was ready and waiting on the Lord. She leaves to mourn her death, three daughters, several grandchildren, and relatives and friends. She was in our home in Lenoir City at the time of her death. We miss her but our loss is Heaven's gain, for we expect to see mother again when this toilsome life is over.

The funeral service was conducted by Brother Dunn, pastor of the Church of God at Lenoir City, and the body laid to rest in the Hiwassee Cemetery.

Sleep on, dear mother, and take your rest, We loved you, but Jesus loved you best.—One who loved her, J. E. Bowers.

TUCKER

On Aug. 28, 1928 the death angel visited our home and claimed for its victim our dear loving father and husband. He was forty-one years, eleven months and fifteen days of age. His death was caused by typhoid fever. Everything was done for him that loving hands could do but God knew best. While he was sick he talked many times of dying. We weep not as those who have no hope for we believe our loss is Heaven's gain. He was a faithful Christian and was loved by all who knew him. He was saved, sanctified and had a determination to go all the way with Jesus. The day before his death he sang "I shall not be moved" and "Let's go on, talking about this good old way." He was a kind and affectionate husband and father. How we all will miss him. He had many friends and relatives who visited him during his long illness, and were always ready to lend a helping hand. It was hard to give him up but God saw best to take him home to rest. He was the head of the family, nevertheless, on the above date at about 2:15 p. m. mother, children and friends had to say goodbye to father and watch him breathe his last and go to fill that appointment with God that you and I must fill. He was a member of the Church of God and was a devoted Christian. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Tyson of Ruby. He leaves to mourn his death, a wife, eight children and a host of relatives and friends.

Yes, dear father, you have left us, Left us in this world of sorrow and care, But up there we long to meet you Where the skies are bright and fair.

One by one our hopes grow brighter, As we near the shining shore, For we know across the river, Waits the loved ones gone before.

Won't that be a happy day? It makes my heart rejoice, To think he was a child of God And can hear His loving voice.—His daughter, Geneva Tucker.

ASKINS

Majorie Franklin Askins, daughter of Olevia and Chauncey Askins, departed this life Tuesday, Jan. 1st, at 11:30 p. m. She was born Dec. 16th, 1918, age ten years, two weeks and two days. She was seriously ill for some time, but bore it all with patience. She leaves to mourn her loss, a mother, father, three sisters, four brothers, one grand-mother, one grand-father, one great-grand-mother and a host of relatives and friends. The

Wonderful Revival At Pineview

PINEVIEW, Ga. (Dec. 27)—We

want to give a report of the victory that was won for Jesus and His Church here in Pineview. The devil did not want this victory to come, he tried to hinder, but praise God, Jesus, the wonder-working Jesus, passed this way and twenty-two souls were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Chambers, the Georgia State Evangelist came to Pineview and pitched his tent and began to preach the Bible just as it is. The devil began to work and talk and got mad, but Brother Chambers just kept giving out the Word. The people began to come for miles around and would not listen to the preaching. Conviction would come down on the people, but they just kept coming. The Holy Ghost power fell and some of the people were filled with the Holy Ghost, because they were heard to speak in tongues. Acts 2:4. One of my own precious nieces (a young lady, the belle of Pineview) was one of the first ones to receive the Holy Ghost. She is a natural musician and since she received the Holy Ghost with the fire she is a power for God. She plays the piano under the power. O I am so thankful for her and what God has done for her. The Lord also saved and sanctified and filled two other of my nieces with the Holy Ghost—all young ladies.

The meeting ran for three weeks, lots of the best people of the town were made to wonder at the power of God and they are looking this way too. God has done great and wonderful things for us, whereof we are glad. Brother Chambers preached the great Church of God and eleven were added to the Church. One of the main stewards in the M. E. church received the Holy Ghost and joined the Church of God; got some members from the M. E. and Baptist church also. Some of the folks said they had never heard nor seen it on this line before. We observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing at the close of the meeting, Dec. 23d. The Lord surely did bless. I was blest, and feel encouraged in my own soul, and I feel like going on in this holy way. Everyone please pray for this place. A sister.—Mattie Pope Murray.

PREACHERS' MEETING

Being requested by Brother John L. Stephens, our State Overseer, the preachers of Eastern N. C. met with him at the Church of God at Rocky Mount, N. C. on Dec. 15th, for the purpose of getting the work in this part of the state lined up. The writer having 165 miles to go, arrived a little late. We found several of our brother preachers present, with Brother Stephens in the stand, and it seemed that the whole atmosphere was saturated with God's love. Brother Stephens told us some very good things and asked the preachers to testify and express themselves in regard to the meeting, which was heartily endorsed and enjoyed by all.

He then selected four of the oldest ministers to aid him in dividing this section into districts, and appointed an overseer for each district. After this work was done, we adjourned to meet again at 7:30. We met at this hour, and found that same heavenly breeze blowing. Service opened with songs and prayer, after which Brother Stephens brought forth the message and Oh, such preaching! Surely the angels had us hedged in and if we could have seen them, no doubt we could have seen several as they had folded their snowy wings and were standing with bowed heads in honor to the blessed Holy Ghost. There was unity, love and fellowship, and best of all, Jesus seemed to be in our midst. This was a glorious time.

We met again on Sunday morning at nine o'clock. The preachers were appointed for the various churches and every one seemed satisfied. At ten o'clock Sunday School was called and brother Stephens gave us a nice little lecture on Sunday School, which was enjoyed very much by all. At eleven o'clock preaching service began with songs and concert prayer, after which Brother Stephens brought another wonderful message, telling us many good things about the Church of God and Her government. This message was greatly enjoyed. It seemed that the Holy Ghost had full control of the speaker. There was crying, laughing, shouting and dancing during this service. Our Overseer then called the preachers together near him and, as a father would instruct his children, he instructed us, telling us how useful it is for us to be careful and how circumspectly we should walk. I am sure it was uplifting to all present. The meeting was then brought to a close with handshakes and good-byes. We separated to go out on our field of labor. Come on boys, we have an humble, loving overseer. Let's work together with him and I'm sure God will bless in a wonderful way.—Humbly, E. D. Jones.

Funeral was conducted by the writer, and her body laid to rest in the East New Market cemetery, East New Market, Md.—Jas. A. Robinson.